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### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 49 to read as follows:

49. (Amended) The method according to claim 45, further including:

issuing as voids at least some of the addresses not requiring loading when the absolute coordinates of the predictor block are aligned.

#### REMARKS

Claim 49 has been amended to correct a typographical error. It now depends from claim 45 rather than from claim 14. Please enter this amendment prior to examination of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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# VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

# In the Claims:

Claim 49 has been amended as follows:

49. (Amended) The method according to claim-14\_45, further including: issuing as voids at least some of the addresses not requiring loading when the absolute coordinates of the predictor block are aligned.

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